

The Honorable Claire McCaskill
United States Senator
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator McCaskill,

Thank you for your letter of July 29, 2013, to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency about the West Lake Landfill in Bridgeton. The EPA appreciates your interest in the Bridgeton and West Lake landfills. The EPA continues to work closely with the Missouri Department of Natural Resources and the Missouri Attorney General's Office. The Agency for Toxic Substance and Disease Registry and part of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, is advising the EPA about human health issues related to the landfills and works closely with the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services. The EPA also maintains active communication with ATSDR and MDHSS.

The landfills' responsible parties will collect the last quarterly round of groundwater sampling with the EPA oversight in October 2013. During calendar year 2014, additional work and data evaluations will be performed by the PRPs under EPA oversight. The U.S. Geological Survey, as outlined in the attached document, is advising this agency about the groundwater issues at West Lake. The process steps outlined on the attachment will give us some time to complete in order to give the EPA the evaluations needed to inform a West Lake remedy selection. Therefore, I cannot provide a precise timeline for the EPA to select and construct the remedy at this time. I will continue to keep you well informed about this agency's actions and welcome your involvement.

For your convenience, I am enclosing correspondence that the EPA Region 7 recently provided to the Missouri Coalition for the Environment responding to questions about the current conditions. I am also enclosing my recent letter to Congressman Clay, as well as a document which identifies steps to remedy implementation at West Lake Landfill.

We will continue to keep you and your staff informed of updates regarding the West Lake Landfill Superfund Site. If we can be of any further assistance, please feel free to contact me at 913-551-7006, or your staff may call LaTonya Sanders, Congressional Liaison, at 913-551-7555.

Sincerely,

Karl Brooks

Enclosure

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